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**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS** 

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the

application:

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:** 

Claims 1-32 (canceled)

33. (CURRENTLY AMENDED): A sheet feeding device for feeding a recording medium

including a first medium provided as a cut-sheet form and a second medium provided as a rolled-

sheet form to a recording section at which a recording operation is performed with respect to the

recording medium, by ejecting ink droplets thereto, the sheet feeding device comprising:

a first sheet feeder, operable to feed a the first medium provided as a cut sheet form

stacked thereon to the recording section in a first direction; and

a second sheet feeder, adapted to be detachably attached to an upstream end portion of

the first sheet feeder relative to the first direction, and operable to feed the second medium to the

recording section in the first direction.

34. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED): The sheet feeding device as set forth in claim 33,

wherein the second medium is fed to the recording section via the first sheet feeder.

35. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED): The sheet feeding device as set forth in claim 33,

further comprising a third sheet feeder, adapted to be detachably attached to the first sheet feeder

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in place of the second sheet feeder, and operable to feed a third medium in a cut-sheet form having a length longer than a length of the first medium.

36. (CURRENTLY AMENDED): A sheet feeding device for feeding a recording medium including a first medium provided as a cut-sheet form and a second medium provided as a rolled-sheet form to a recording section at which a recording operation is performed with respect to the recording medium, by ejecting ink droplets thereto, the sheet feeding device comprising:

a first sheet feeder, operable to feed the first medium stacked thereon to the recording section;

a second sheet feeder, adapted to be detachably attached to the first sheet feeder, and operable to feed the second medium to the recording section; and

The sheet feeding device as set forth in claim 33, further comprising a third sheet feeder, adapted to be detachably attached to the second sheet feeder, and operable to feed a third medium in a cut-sheet form having a length longer than a length of the first medium.

- 37. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED): The sheet feeding device as set forth in claim 33, wherein the first sheet feeder comprises an edge guide member operable to commonly guide side edges of the first medium and the second medium situated on the first sheet feeder.
- 38. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED): The sheet feeding device as set forth in claim 33, wherein the second medium is held by the second sheet feeder without a restricting force.

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39. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED): The sheet feeding device as set forth in claim 33,

wherein:

the second sheet feeder comprises a detachable shaft member adapted to be inserted in a

core part of the second medium; and

the shaft member comprises a flange member provided in at least one longitudinal end of

the shaft member and formed with at least one flat portion.

40. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED): The sheet feeding device as set forth in claim 33,

wherein the second sheet feeder comprises a cutter operable to cut the second medium.

41. (CURRENTLY AMENDED): An ink-jet recording apparatus, comprising:

a recording head, operable to perform a recording operation with respect to a recording

medium including a first medium provided as a cut-sheet form and a second medium provided as

a rolled-sheet form, by ejecting ink droplets thereto;

a first sheet feeder, operable to feed the first medium stacked thereon to a first region

opposite to the recording head in a first direction; and

a second sheet feeder, adapted to be detachably attached to an upstream end portion of

the first sheet feeder relative to the first direction, and operable to feed the first region via the

first sheet feeder in the first direction.

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42. (CURRENTLY AMENDED): A first sheet feeding device adapted to be detachably attached to a second sheet feeding device for feeding a recording medium in a cut-sheet form in a first direction, and operable to feed a rolled recording medium in the first direction, via the first sheet feeding device, to a recording section at which a recording operation is performed with

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respect to either the recording medium in a cut-sheet form or the rolled recording medium, wherein the first feeding device is detachable attached to an upstream end portion of the second

feeding device relative to the first direction.

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